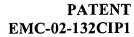
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## **AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 18, 2006. This response is timely filed and no fee is believed due; however, any fees required for consideration of this paper (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged in one originally-executed and one copy of the Transmittal Form filed herewith.

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Please amend the subject application, as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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